

## PREFACE

This edition of the Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, State of New Hampshire, Department of Transportation, will be used for projects designed and bid in either metric (SI) or English units. SI units will be shown capitalized on the computer generated estimates. Also  $\text{mm}^2$ ,  $\text{m}^2$ ,  $\text{km}^2$ ,  $\text{cm}^3$ , and  $\text{m}^3$  may also be written as mm2, m2, km2, cm3, and m3, respectively, due to typewriter, word processor, or printer limitations. The metric unit is followed by the English unit in parentheses. If charts, tables or figures are used, the metric version, designated (M), is followed by the English version, designated (E). The units in the text are not equal, for example, 1 cubic yard does not equal 1 cubic meter.

A project using metric units will use the metric references and a project using English units will use the English references. The two systems are not equal and therefore, not interchangeable within a Contract.

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